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SUBJECT: OCTOBER 13 EA PRESS SUMMARY

1. PRC SPOKESMAN OFFICIALLY CONFIRMED TUES THAT HUA HAS BEEN APPOINTED CCP CHAIRMAN; BUT REPEATEDLY DECLINED COMMENT ON REPORTED LEFTISTS' ARRESTS (NYT, NYDN, PHINQ). SUN, PHINQ CARRY HUA PROFILE, PHOTO. CHITRIB FRONT-PAGE BANNER: "30 SEIZED IN CHINA PURGE"; SECOND PAGE CARRIES BIOS OF CHANG CHING, WANG HUNG-WEN, CHANG CHUN-CHIAO, YAO WEN-YUAN. REUTER (TOKYO) SAYS MORE THAN 30 SEIZED, PLACED UNDER HOUSE ARREST ON CHARGES PLOTTING TAKEOVER, ACCORDING ASAHI SHIMBUN WEDNESDAY. ASAHI PEKING CORRESPONDENT QUOTED RELIABLE CHINESE SOURCES AS SAYING ACCUSED PLOTTED TO MAKE CHIANG CHING NEW CCP CHAIRMAN; ADDED THAT CHIANG CHING AND OTHER FORGED MAO'S WILL.

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REUTER'S ROGERS (PEKING) REPORTS CHINESE OFFICIALS DECLINED COMMENT WEDNESDAY ON REPORTS OF WIDESPREAD ARRESTS OF LEFTISTS, BUT WESTERN ANALYSTS CONVINCED CHIANG CHING, WANG, CHAN, YAO UNDER ARREST. CITES REPORTS THAT MAO'S

FORMER BODYGUARD, WANG TUNG-HSING, ALSO IN POLITICAL DIFFICULTIES. HOWEVER, USUALLY WELL-INFORMED SOURCES SAID THEY WERE UNABLE SUBSTANTIATE ASAHI REPORT. ROGERS SAYS FOREIGNERS SAW EXTRA TROOPS NEAR PEKING/TSINGHUA

UNIVERSITIES; BUT, OTHERWISE, PEKING TOTALLY NORMAL, AND SHANGHAI ALSO REPORTED RELAXED.

PEOPLE'S DAILY TUES CARRIED SEVERAL ARTICLES FROM ORGANIZATIONS AROUND COUNTRY URGING CHINESE PEOPLE RALLY AROUND HUA, NOT BETRAY MARXISM-LENINISM AND THOUGHTS OF MAO (REUTER HK 10/12).

2. THAILAND

MIL JUNTA WILL SEEK CLOSER US TIES, ADOPT TOUGHER STAND TOWARD COMMUNISTS (UPI, BALT NA 10/12). ADM SANGAD SAYS RTG WILL NOT BREAK OFF RELS W/COMMUNIST NEIGHBORS UNLESS SECURITY THREATENED, STRESSES SUPPORT FOR ASEAN (PHINQ). NYT CARRIES AP PIC 2 STUDENT LEADERS BEING LED TO TRIAL BEFORE MIL COURT FOR ROLE IN THAMMASAT U CONFRONTATION.

LAT'S MCARTHUR (10/10) REPORTS NEW REGIME ENFORCES WILL CASUALLY, CAREFULLY PRESENTS IMAGE THAT EVERYTHING NORMAL; DOZEN PAPERS REAPPEAR, MANY DETAINEES RELEASED. ADDS APPOINTMENT THANIN AS PM SOMETHING OF SURPRISE TO PUBLIC, INDICATES REGIME PAYING SERIOUS ATTN TO IMAGE-BUILDING. OBSERVES (10/11) REGIME TRIES FIX ON REDS BLAME FOR THAMMASAT BRUTALITY; QUOTES W NEWSMEN WHO WITNESSED POLICE ATTACK THAT WAS EXAMPLE "OVERKILL." LOOKS OVER JUNTA (10/12), FINDS DEEP, POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS RIFTS AMONG 24 OFFICERS OF NATL ADMIN REFORM COUNCIL. SAYS GEN CHALARD MAY HAVE BEEN OUSTED BECAUSE VIEWED AS AMBITIOUS TROUBLE-MAKER, NOT FOR PLOTTING COUNTERCOUP AS REPORTED.

TAMARKIN (CDN 10/8) DESCRIBES EVENTS THAT LED TO COUP, UNCLASSIFIED

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NOTES RAPID RETURN TO APPARENTLY NORMAL LIFE BANGKOK, OPINES THAIS FORFETITED DEMOCRACY FOR MIL DICTATORSHIP-- AND SWORN ALLEGIANCE TO KING.

COMMUNIST INSURGENTS ATTACK RTG FORCES NEAR MALAY BORDER, KILL 3 POLICE (WP; UPI, NYDN).

3. BURMA

GUB AMB TO UN, UMYINT MAUNG, APPOINTED AMB TO PRC (AP RANGOON).

4. KOREA

ROKG OFFICIALS SAY BUMPER RICE CROP THIS FALL WILL PRECLUDE NEED FOR RICE IMPORTS NEXT YEAR FOR FIRST TIME SINCE MID-60'S (WP).

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COLUMBIA U STUDENT BOARD OUSTS REV MOON UNIFICATION CHURCH "FRONT," COLLEGIATE ASSOC FOR RESEARCH PRINCIPLES (CARP), FROM CAMPUS. CARP USED FREE UNIV FACILITIES IN SUPPORT CHURCH ACTIVITIES--EJECTED FOR DECEIT INVOLVED IN "FRONT-ING," NOT FOR CHURCH AFFILIATION (NYT, NYDN).

5. JAPAN

SOVIET EMB COUNSELOR/JAPANESE FON MINISTRY OFFICIAL HELD 15-MINUTE DISCUSSION ON TECHNICAL PROBLEMS RETURN MIG25 10/12 IN TOKYO (REUTER NYT, SUN; CSM; WP).

MCDONNELL DOUGLAS SAYS JAPAN'S DOMESTIC AIRLINES ORDERED 4 DC9 TWIN-JET TRANSPORTS VALUED AT OVER 30 MILLION DOLS, TO BE DELIVERED DEC '77, MARCH/APRIL '78 (REUTER 10/12; WSJ).

JAPANESE/British UN DELEGATIONS COMPLAIN TO SECGEN WALDEHEIM OF PRESSURE FROM UNDER SEC FOR POL AFF SHEVCHENKO TO VOTE FOR INCREASES IN HIS DIVISION'S STAFF. JAPANESE SAY WERE TOLD IF DID NOT SUPPORT INCREASE, JAPANESE WORKER ON STAFF WOULD NOT RECEIVE PROMOTION DUE. SUPPORT UNCLASSIFIED

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NOT GIVEN, BUT WORKER MATSUMOTO RECEIVED PROMOTION AFTER COMPLAINT SENT (WP).

INTL DEVELOPMENT ASSN MEETS IN KYOTO AMID REPORTED US/JAPANESE OPPOSITION TO PLANS FOR BOOSTING ITS FUNDS BY 9 BILLION DOLS. ASSN REQUESTING 7.5 BILLION FROM INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS, BUT US/JAPAN/OTHERS FEEL UNABLE PUT UP SUCH LARGE AMOUNT, DUE PRESENT ECON CONDITIONS (REUTER KYOTO 10/12).

ITALY'S BANCA NAZIONALE DELL'AGRICOLTURA FORMALLY OPENS TOKYO OFFICE THIS WEEK, UNDER WHAT MAY BE MISTAKEN BELIEF GOJ READY EASE RESTRICTIONS WHICH HAVE KEPT TOKYO FROM BECOMING MAJOR MONEY MARKET FOR ASIA (WELS, JOC).

SPEAKING AT OSAKA PRESS CONF TUES, CHRMN INTL IRON/STEEL INSTITUTE CALLED FOR GLOBAL GOVT-LEVEL CONF TO DISCUSS STEEL EXPORT PROBLEMS, NEED FOR CONTROL MEASURES IN ORDER PREVENT ENFORCEMENT UNILATERAL IMPORT RESTRICTIONS. SAID TALKS W/JAPANESE STEEL CO OFFICIALS PROVED THEM "UNDERSTANDING," BUT ADDED NO ONE REASSURED HIM PROPER ACTIONS WOULD BE TAKEN (CULLISON, JOC).

JOC'S LAWRENCE REPORTS AMERICAN IRON/STEEL INSTITUTE

FILED PETITION W/US TRADE NEGOTIATIONS OFFICE, CLAIM-
ING JAPANESE-EUROPEAN STEEL TRADE PACT CAUSING DIVERSION
"SIGNIFICANT" VOLUME JAPANESE STEEL FROM EUR TO US.
ADMIN AGREED CONSIDER INSTITUTE'S REQUEST FOR TRADE RE-
PRISALS AGAINST JAPANESE/EUROPEAN STEEL.
FMC CHRMN TUES ANNOUNCED INTENTION ENGAGE IN DIRECT
DISCUSSIONS W/JAPAN'S FAIR TRADE COMMISSION IN ATTEMPT
PERSUADE IT APPROVE WIDENING OF SPREAD BETWEEN CONTRACT/NON-
CONTRACT RATES ON US-JAPAN SHIPPING ROUTES (JOC).

AFTER 31 YEARS, JAPAN COMPLETES 11-STORY, 25-MILLION-DOL,
DOMED NIPPON PRESS CENTER IN TOKYO (UPI, BALT NA 10/12).

WP'S SAAR, IN TOKYO, REPORTS CONTROVERSY OVER WHETHER
HIROHITO'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY AS EMPEROR SHOULD BE HONORED.
GOJ, AMID OPPOSITION, FINALLY DECIDED ON MODEST, HOUR-
LONG 11/10 CEREMONY. SOCIALIST/COMMUNIST OPPOSITION
PARTIES PROTESTED PLANS HONOR HIROHITO; ARTICLE OPPOSING
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EVENT APPEARS IN MAINICHI DAILY NEWS UNDER HEADLINE, "NOTH-
ING TO PARTY ABOUT."

ACCORDING SURVEY PUBLISHED 10/11, 21 OF 76 NURSES QUES-
TIONED SAID THEY HAD PERFORMED EUTHANASIA AT PATIENTS'
OR RELATIVES' REQUEST IN OSAKA/KOBE/KYOTO HOSPITALS W/O
DOCTOR CONSULTATION (UPI, WP).

MRS MASA NAKAYAMA, JAPAN'S 1ST WOMAN CABINET MINISTER,
DIED IN OSAKA HOSPITAL MONDAY OF THROAT CANCER AT AGE
85 (AP, SUN).

6. INDOCHINA

VN AMB TO PARIS SAYS HANOI PURSUDES SEARCH FOR US MIAS,
WISHES ESTABLISH DIPL RELS W/US, IS READY DISCUSS SETTLE-
MENT OUTSTANDING PROBLEMS (REUTER PARIS). QUAKERS
COORDINATE NATIONWIDE DRIVE TO INFLUENCE USG SUPPORT VN
ADMISSION UN, GIVE RECONSTRUCTION AID (CSM).

TASS REPORTS MY LAI VILLAGE REBUILT/FLOURISHING, RENAMED
TINH SHON (PHINQ; REUTER, GLOBE 10/12).

7. PHILIPPINES

MORITZ (CSM) REPORTS RADIO REMINDS VOTERS TO REGISTER FOR
OCT 16 REFERENDUM ON MARTIAL LAW. SAYS MASSIVE TURNOUT
EXPECTED W/CRITICS/SUPPORTERS PREDICTING OVERWHELMING
ENDORSEMENT MARTIAL LAW; CRITICS INSIST REFERENDUM STACKED
IN MARCOS' FAVOR. REVIEWS OPPOSITION TO REFERENDUM.

NYDN HAS AP PIC CHESS CHAMP BOBBY FISCHER, IMELDA,

PIANIST VAN CLIBURN, MARGOT FONTEYN AT MANILA ARTS FESTIVAL.

FOLLOWING PRC TRIP MANSFIELD/GLENN PARTY VISITING MANILA TO INFORM SELVES ON OUTLOOK FOR NEGOTS OF FUTURE US MIL BASES THERE (REUTER HK).

8. INDONESIA

US BUSINESSMEN STATIONED IN ASIA TO MEET IN JAKARTA THIS WEEKEND TO PLAN FIGHT AGAINST NEW US TAX BILL THEY SAY
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WILL UNDERCUT COMPETITIVENESS US FIRMS ABROAD (WP).

INDONESIA HEALTH OFFICE DIRECTOR CALLS ON POPULATION TAKE SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS AGAINST CHOLERA, AFTER 578 DIED IN 10,638 CASES REPORTED 1ST 9 MONTHS THIS YEAR (AFP, WP).

9. ANZUS

SINGAPORE DISPATCH QUOTES TASS NEWS AGENCY ACCUSATION ANZUS BUILDING UP "MILITARISTIC HYSTERIA" IN FE, DUE START 17-DAY JOINT NAVAL EXERCISE (UPI, WP).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

10. CHINA

AP (HK) REPORTS TUES ARRIVAL MANSFIELD/GLENN AFTER THREE-WEEK PRC VISIT. THEY REFUSED DISCUSS TRIP WITH REPORTERS UNTIL REPORT TO PRES/SENATE. MANSFIELD SAID, HOWEVER, THEY FOUND TRIP "INTERESTING AND EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE" (CHITRIB, WP, PHINQ). REUTER (HK) REPORTS SENS LEAVE FOR MANILA THURS, ACCORDING US SPOKESMAN. MANSFIELD DECLARED HIS PARTY ALLOWED TRAVEL WIDELY IN PRC, INCLUDING VISITS TO NUMBER OF AREAS IN STRATEGICALLY IMPORTANT SINKIANG PROVINCE. SAID, "WE SAW MUCH AND LEARNED MUCH, ADDING GREATLY TO THE KNOWLEDGE GAINED IN MY TWO PREVIOUS VISITS."

APPEARING TUES ON ANNUAL ASSN OF US ARMY PANEL DISCUSSING SOVIET POWER, FORMER CIA DIRECTOR COLBY SAID THERE IS REAL POSSIBILITY PRC/SOVIET COULD BECOME ALLIES AGAIN IF PLA LEADERS GAIN CONTROL CHINESE GOVT. SAID HE HAS NO FIRST-HAND INFO ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN WAKE OF MAO'S DEATH, BUT NOTED PLA LEADERS HAD MADE OVERTURES BEFORE TO SOVIET COUNTERPARTS. NOTED REPORTS THAT MODERATES, NOT RADICALS OR MIL LEADERS, HAVE GAINED CONTROL PRC GOVT; BUT CAUTIONED IF STRUGGLE CONTINUES/BECOMES BAD ENOUGH FOR PLA STEP IN, SOME MIL LEADERS MIGHT PRESS FOR RENEWAL SINO-SOVIET ALLIANCE (WP; SUN'S CORDDRY).

JOC RUNDOWN FEELS CHINA WATCHERS CAUGHT OFF GUARD BY HUA'S ELEVATION, BUT NOTES THEY BELIEVE MOVE WILL RESULT IN

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CLOSER US/PRC TIES. SAYS ALSO WHILE ANTICIPATED THAT LONG RADICAL/MODERATE POWER STRUGGLE WOULD ERUPT, NOW BELIEVED CHINESE LEADERSHIP WILL BE CONFIDENT ENOUGH TO CONTINUE

MAO'S POLICIES, INCLUDING DIPLO RELS WITH US. SIMILAR WSJ STORY FEELS PRC SPOKESMAN WHO CONFIRMED HUA'S PROMOTION LENT CREDENCE TO REPORTS OF RADICALS' PURGE BY REFUSING CONFIRM OR DENY. OBSERVES SHAKEUP--GENERALLY ACCEPTED IN WEST--PUTS PEKING IN HANDS OF MODERATES. SUGGESTS HUA'S RISE COULD BRING INCREASED ECON/OTHER EXCHANGES WITH US; BUT ALSO POSSIBLE PRC HOSTILITY TOWARD SOVIET WILL EASE.

NYDN FEELS COURSE HUA SEEMS CHARTING WOULD LOGICALLY ENTAIL CLOSER PRC TIES WITH WEST--BUT CAUTIONS TRYING READ MINDS/ DIVINE AIMS OF PRC LEADERS IS CHANCY BUSINESS AT BEST.

CHITRIB, SIMILARLY, SAYS WHILE FIRM PREDICTIONS ABOUT FUTURE IN PRC ARE NEVER WISE, IF HUA/COLLEAGUES SOLIDIFY CONTROL, PEKING COULD BE HEADED FOR PERIOD OF TRANQUILITY/ ECON GROWTH, OF CONTINUING DISTRUST OF SOVIET, AND OF CLOSER LINKS TO US.

LAT 12/12 CONCLUDES THAT HUA'S ELEVATION WOULD APPEAR BODE WELL FOR WORLD, SEEMS UNLIKELY AGGRAVATE SINO-SOVIET CONFLICT--OR TRIGGER CRISIS OVER US SUPPORT OF ROC.

NYT WELCOMES REPORTS CHIANG CHING/OTHER SEIZED, BUT CAUTIONS "PEKING IS NOT CHINA," THERE ARE INDEPENDENT-MINDED PEOPLE/GROUPS IN MAJOR CHINESE CITIES/PROVINCES OUTSIDE CAPITAL. FEELS RAPIDITY WITH WHICH BATTLE SEEKS UNFOLDING MUST GIVE RISE TO GRAVE APPREHENSIONS. EVEN IF HUA HAS WON FIRST ROUND, MUST BE TAKEN FOR GRANTED THAT OTHER CHALLENGERS WILL SOON MAKE APPEARANCE, OTHER BATTLES WILL HAVE BEEN FOUGHT.

SUN APPLAUDS HUA'S BEING NAMED CCP CHAIRMAN, FEELS TREND OF CHINESE EVENTS PROVIDES CONTINUING REASON SEEK IMPROVED RELS WITH US. SUGGESTS, GIVEN DIVERSITY COUNTRY'S IMMENSE POPULATION, WONDER IS THAT TRANSITION HAS GONE SO SMOOTHLY. BUT STILL EARLY IN GAME; ON SOVIET ANALOGY,
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PRC MAY NOW HAVE ENTERED IT MALENKO时期.

GLOBE (10/12) SEES NO REASON BELIEVE HUA WILL ROCK BOAT IN INTL RELS- IN US INTEREST TO WORK OUT CLOSER RELS WITH PEKING, IF ONLY TO DEVELOP BETTER UNDERSTANDING CHINESE

ASPIRATIONS. PERHAPS WILL BE EASIER DO UNDER HUA,
ALTHOUGH NO APPARENT REASON WHY WE SHOULD EXPECT ANY
RADICAL CHANGE IN PRC ATTITUDE, FOR EXAMPLE ON TAIWAN.

LAT'S LESLIE (10/10) SAYS HUA'S ELEVATION WAS SURPRISE,
SINCE MOST EXPECTED POWER BE DISTRIBUTED ON COLLECTIVE
BASIS FOR SOME TIME AFTER MAO'S DEATH. OPINES ACCUMULATION
POWER IN HUA'S HANDS SEEMS DESIGNED PREVENT POWER STRUGGLE.
CALLS HUA'S RISE EXTRAORDINARILY RAPID. SAYS SEEMS LIKELY
MAO SELECTED HUA AS SUCCESSOR BEFORE HE DIED. SEES ONE OF
HUA'S MOST IMPORTANT TASKS TO ENSURE POWER REMAINS HIS IN
FACT.

WSTAR'S BRADSHER (10/12) NOTES REPORTED ARREST CHIANG
CHING, OTHER RADICALS. OPINES IF CONFIRMED, MEANS MODER-
ATES ATTEMPTED DECISIVELY CRUSH CHALLENGE FROM LEFTISTS;
ADDS DECAPITATION RADICAL MOVEMENT MIGHT NOT INSURE RETURN
ORDERLY GOVT, SINCE YOUNG RADICALS THRU COUNTRY MIGHT
CONTINUE LEFTIST FIGHT TO PUT POLITICS BEFORE BUREAUCRATIC
RESULTS. RECOUNTS MODERATE-RADICAL STRUGGLE UNDER CHOU.

BUTTERFIELD (NYT) DOES HUA BACKGROUNDER. CALLS EMERGENCE
AT PINNACLE OF POWER MOST REMARKABLE DEVELOPMENT, SINCE
RELATIVELY UNKNOWN. DOES BEST TO TRACE RISE.

WU (SUN) QUOTES REPORTS THAT ABOUT 30 OTHER TOP RADICALS
ARRESTED, BUT CALMNESS APPARENTLY PREVAILS. INTERPRETS
DELAY IN ANNOUNCING HUA'S NOMINATION/ARREST OF RADICALS
AS DUE NEED QUIETLY BRIEF POPULATION FIRST. REVIEWS
CAREERS LEADING RADICALS. SESS LITTLE LIKELIHOOD RADICALS
PLOTTED ACTUAL COUP, SINCE DID NOT CONTROL BULK ARMED
FORCES. BELIEVES ARREST LEFTISTS DOES NOT END PRC'S
LONG POL STRUGGLE, BUT HERALDS NEW ROUND.

SOUTHERLAND (CSM) THINKS RADICALS LOST TO HUA MODERATES
BECAUSE W/O MAO'S PATRONAGE, LACKED BROAD BASE OF SUPPORT;
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FELT HAD TO MOVE QUICKLY TO ASSERT SELVES, BUT HUA
CONSOLIDATED POWER W/SURPRISING FORCE/SPEED. NOTES
SPECULATION THAT IF HUA HAS RADICALS UNDER CONTROL,
PROSPECTS BETTER FOR MODEST IMPROVEMENT IN PRC RELS W/USSR.
MENTIONS RECENT PROMINENT PUBLIC EXPOSURE GIVEN LI HSIEN-
NIEN. ADDS UNANSWERED QUESTION, "WHERE DOES HUA GET HIS
POWER FROM? HE WAS ALMOST UNKNOWN UNTIL NOT TOO LONG AGO.

IN BIO PIECE ON LI HSIEN-NIEN, WP'S MATHEWS SAYS VICE
PREMIER, ONCE UNDER ATTACK BY RADICALS, EMERGING AS CHIEF
ECON PLANNER/FOPOL LEADER--ROLE ONCE OCCUPIED BY CHOU.
OFFICIALLY RANKED 7TH IN CCP HIERARCHY BEFORE RADICAL
PURGE, LI RECENTLY CALLED UPON PRESIDE AT BANQUET FOR
PNG'S PM SOMARE--TASK USUALLY PERFORMED ONLY BY PRC'S

PREMIER.

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MATHEWS CITES REPORTS ARRESTS 4 RADICAL LEADERS,
REVIEWS THEIR POLITICAL CAREERS. STATES PRC'S FUTURE
TRANQUILITY DEPENDS ON HOW MUCH "UNTOLD NUMBERS" CHINESE
WHO SHARE RADICAL VIEW WILLING DARE. NOTES SPECULATION
ABOUNDS, BUT IF LEADERS REALLY GONE FROM POWER, MAY MEAN
GPCR FINALLY OVER, "NOT TO BE SEEN AGAIN FOR SOME TIME."

NYT'S GWERTZMAN STATES WASHINGTON ANALYSTS REGARD LATEST
PRC DEVELOPMENTS AS POSITIVE STEP FOR US SINCE, HUA,
LIKELY REPLACEMENT FOR MAO, HAS ESPoused CONTINUATION
HOSTILITY TOWARDS USSR, ACCEPTANCE PRC'S NEED DEAL
W/WEST--INCL US. ADDS PRC OFFICIALS HAVE IN RECENT WEEKS
EXPRESSED PUZZLEMENT ABOUT US' FOPOL DIRECTION, GIVEN
STRONG FORD/CARTER STATEMENTS ON TAIWAN SUPPORT.

KEATLEY (WSJ) REVIEWS POLITICAL FATES 3 LEFTIST LEADERS,
INCL CHIANG CHING, RECENTLY REMOVED FROM POWER. EXPERTS
IN WASHINGTON ASSUME LEFT COULDN'T HAVE BEEN DEPOSED W/O
PLA HELP; NOW EXPECT ARMY SEEK BIGGER SHARE STATE BUD-
GET. OTHER CHANGES LIKELY TAKE PLACE INCLUDE INCREASED
USE FON TECHNOLOGY TO SPEED INDUSTRIAL GROWTH, MORE ACA-
DEMIC/OTHER EXCHANGES, SMOOTHER POL RELS, END PEKING'S
"ABRASIVE" ATTITUDE TOWARD PETTY MATTERS SUCH AS TRAVEL
PROTOCOL.

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WP CARRIES REPORT FROM TORONTO GLOBE-MAIL'S MUNRO IN PE-
KING, WHO STATES OBSERVERS WONDERING WHY NOTHING HEARD
FROM MILLIONS SUPPOSEDLY RADICAL STUDENTS/YOUNG WORK-
ERS/FORMER RED GUARDS FROM GPCR SINCE PURGE OCCURED LAST
WEEK. NOTES NO OUTWARD SIGNS OF CRISIS IN PEKING, ONLY
USUAL SECURITY PRECAUTIONS SEEM IN EFFECT. GENERAL
BELIEF IS THAT MODERATES, W/BACKING FROM ARMY, WILL CON-
TINUE KEEP THINGS UNDER CONTROL.

BEECH (CDN 10/7) COMMENTS ON PRC FOMIN CHIAO'S 10/5 UN
SPEECH, WHICH "LIBERALLY SPRINKLED" W/MAO QUOTATIONS,
INCLUDING "ALL THE CLICHES" ABOUT USSR BEING "PAPER TI-
GER." NOTES MOSCOW BORE BRUNT PEKING'S ABUSE, THO WERE
"SOME SHARP WORDS" FOR US' INVOLVEMENT IN KOREA, RENEwed
DEMAND WITHDRAWAL US TROOPS. CONCLUDES IF RUSSIANS GET
TIRED OF CHINESE INSULTS AT UN, HAVE ONLY SELVES TO
BLAME, SINCE MOSCOW LED CAMPAIGN HAVE PRC ADMITTED.

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SIDERED NOVELTY; WESTERN VISIORS FRUSTRATED BY RIGIDLY
PLANNED TOURS, PERVASIVE SECRECY, INABILITY APPROACH
COMMON PEOPLE. LESLIE INTERVIEWS SCHOLAR WHO VISITED
PRC, ALSO SCHLESINGER'S INTERPRETER. BOTH FOUND INCON-

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SISTENCIES BETWEEN WHAT THEY SAW, WHAT TOLD. SCHOLAR FINDS CHINESE MAINTAIN 19TH-CENTURY CULTURAL ARROGANCE, BELIEVING THEMSELVES/THEIR CULTURE SUPERIOR.

IN PHINQ, HARRIET VAN HORNE NOTES FALLOUT ON US OF RADIO-ACTIVE ELEMENTS FROM PRC'S 9/26 NUKE ATMOSPHERIC TEST; SAYS "PRESUMABLY, THEY ARE SENDING US A MESSAGE." WONDERS WHAT FURTHER TESTS CHINESE PLANNING. NOTES NUKE RAIN STRUCK US NW, MIDWEST--"ON FRUITS OF EARTH WE SHALL SOON BE EATING, ON MEADOWS WHERE CATTLE GRAZE." OBSERVES SCIENTISTS SAY NO SERIOUS HEALTH HAZARD "IN OUR RAIN FROM CHINA," BUT HAS DOUBTS. APPLAUDS JIMMY CARTER "NONFUZZY AND REASSURING" APPROACH TO NUKE ENERGY PROBLEM.

WP'S MCCARDLE REPORTS CROWDS OF GUESTS ESTIMATED AT 3,500-
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4,000 JAMMED ROC EMBASSY TUES NIGHT TO SHAKE HANDS WITH AMB/MRS SHEN, CELEBRATE COUNTRY'S 65TH ANNIVERSARY. SHEN SAID HE WAS VERY MUCH ENCOURAGED BY RECENT PRC EVENTS, SURPRISED CHANGES COMING SO SOON; ADDED, "WE ALWAYS HAVE HOPES OF GETTING BACK TO THE MAINLAND." REPORTS PRESENCE AL JENKINS, TOURING US LECTURING ABOUT PRC; SAID, "TM A CHINA LOVER." JENKINS SAID HE DOESN'T FEEL MAO'S DEATH WILL HAVE ANY GREAT EFFECT ON PRC/ROC RELS, BUT HE underscored IDEA THAT MAO'S DEATH "HAS REMOVED SOME OF THE ANIMOSITIES." ALSO PRESENT WERE ROSE MARY WOODS, AND HILL/KNOWLTON VP GRAY, BOTH OF WHOM HAD VISITED TAIPEI AND "LOVED IT." VOA'S GIDDENS/USIA'S KEOGH REFUSED COMMENT ABOUT WHAT CHANGES AHEAD FOR ROC.

NYT'S WEILER HAS PRAISE FOR "TOUCH OF ZEN," TAIWAN FEATURE IN NY FILM FESTIVAL.

11. IMF/WB

WSJ REVIEWS MTG, OPINES NO NEW IDEAS CAME UP, CONCLUDES NOTHING MUCH HAPPENED. SAYS FINANCE MINS JAPAN, UK, FRG, FRANCE, MEXICO TEMPTED BY SAME CONCLUSION IN ADVANCE, SENT DEPS INSTEAD OF GOING THEMSELVES. NOTES SOME DELS NOT SANGUINE ABOUT FLOATING EXCHANGE RATES; BUT "CAN'T PLAY THE GAME W/O US, SO DIDN'T ARGUE. ADDS STRONG-CURRENCY COUNTRIES, JAPAN/FRG, DIDN'T COMPLAIN BUT MAY AS WELL SINCE BY INTERVENING IN EXCHANGE MKTS TO SLOW CURRENCY APPRECIATION FOR COMML REASONS, THEY ACCEPT HIGHER DEGREE INFLATION THAN WOULD BE CASE IF RATES STABLE.

12. GENERAL

NYDN'S WIGHART, CITING THAI COUP AS "SNUFFING OUT OF

ANOTHER DEMOCRACY IN FAVOR OF DICTATORSHIP," BEMOANS
UPSURGE AUTHORITARIAN RULE IN MUCH OF WORLD WHERE "ONLY
OPTIONS APPEAR TOTALITARIAN DICTATORSHIPS OF LEFT OR
RIGHT." SAYS DEMOCRATIC RULE WITH SOME EXCEPTIONS HAS
VIRTUALLY DISAPPEARED OUTSIDE N AMERICA, JAPAN, WEST
EUROPE. REGARDING EA, STATES "DESPOTIC NK COMMUNIST REGIME
OF KIM IL SUNG CONFRONTS MILITARY DICTATORSHIP OF SK'S
PARK." ADDS TOTALITARIAN COMMUNIST REGIMES RULE PRC,
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SRV, CAMBODIA, LAOS, AND PHILS, INDONESIA HAVE MOVED
SHARPLY TOWARD ONE-MAN RULE. COMMENTS NO SINGLE EXPLAN-
ATION SUCH DEVELOPMENTS, BUT THEY'RE ABETTED BY EAST-WEST
CONTEST, ECON CONDITIONS, POPULATION GROWTH, SHRINKAGE
RESOURCES. KISSINGER

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